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Examiner Shang,

Thank you for speaking with me today regarding the above-identified patent application. I greatly appreciate your offer to review the enclosed Mieritz reference in advance of the February 6, 2006 deadline for payment of the issue fee.

Applicants brought to the attention of the Examiner in an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) mailed on August 8, 2005 the attached Mieritz reference. The reference was also listed on a Form PTO/SB/08 accompanying the IDS. The Examiner returned to applicants an initialed copy of the Form PTO/SB/08 with a Notice of Allowance issued in this case on November 4, 2005. However, the Mieritz reference had been crossed out on the initialed Form. Copies of the original and initialed Form PTO/SB/08 (as well as associated documents) are enclosed.

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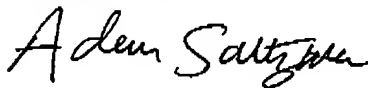
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Applicants are submitting herewith copies of the Mieritz reference and a translation of the reference. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner review the reference in advance of the February 6, 2006 deadline. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner return a copy of the Form PTO/SB/08, as considered and initialed by the Examiner, to applicants by fax at 646-728-2966 or e-mail at adam.saltzman@ropesgray.com.

We greatly appreciate your help in advancing this patent application to issuance. Should you have any questions, I can be reached by phone at 212-596-9256, as well as by fax at 646-728-2966, or by email at adam.saltzman@ropesgray.com.

Thank you again for the courtesies you kindly extended.

Sincerely yours,



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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97,
applicants wish to call the attention of the Examiner to
the following documents:

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MIERITZ, Von René, and BÖCKMANN, Norbert, "Das Gläserne Hotel", Periodical Funkschau Vol. 24, pp.84-89, 1991.

These documents are listed on the accompanying Form SB/08 (submitted in duplicate). In accordance with 37 C.F.R § 1.98(a)(2), copies of the foreign patent documents and non-patent literature document are enclosed herewith. The Grundig and Mieritz references are not in the English language. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R § 1.98(a)(3)(ii), applicants have enclosed copies of English-language translations of the Grundig and Mieritz references.

Applicants reserve the right to establish the patentability of the claimed invention over any of the information provided herewith, and/or to prove that this information may not be prior art, and/or to prove that this information may not be enabling for the teachings purportedly offered.

It is respectfully requested that these documents be: (1) fully considered by the Patent and Trademark Office during the examination of this application; and (2) printed on any patent which may issue on this application. Applicants request that a copy of Form SB/08, as considered and initialized by the Examiner, be returned with the next communication.

This Statement is submitted after the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits, but before the mailing date of any final office action under 37 C.F.R.

§1.113, a notice of allowance under 37 C.F.R. §1.311, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application. The Director is hereby authorized to charge \$180.00 in payment of the fee for submission of this Information Disclosure Statement pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c)(2), as well as to charge payment of any additional fees required in connection with this Statement, or credit any overpayment of the same, to deposit account no. 06-1075 (order no.: 003597-0115). A duplicate copy of this statement is enclosed herewith.

Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this patent application is respectfully requested.

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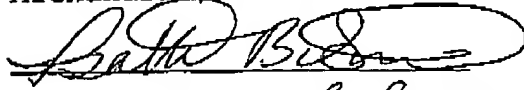
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